(Start of Belt #7)

SPEAKER: The Legislature will come to order. The clerk will...please record your presence. Please record your presence. Have you all recorded your presence. The clerk will record.

CLERK: A quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER: Yes, the Clerk will read the reports.

Mr. President, I have a list of registered lobbyists--Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review-read, Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review reports -- read.

SPEAKER: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I am about to sign and do sign the following bills: LB 226, LB 452, LB 474, LB 497, LB 522.

CLERK: Mr. President, we have a series of new bills. LB 581. Read title. LB 581.

Read title. LB 582.

Read title. LB 583.

I now have Senator Richendifer's motion to introduce a bill, if you want to take it up.

SPEAKER: Senator Richendifer.

CLERK: Motion read.

SENATOR RICHENDIFER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, very briefly, I left the sheet on your desk this morning explaining the purposes and functions of this bill. I'll briefly go through part of this. The purpose of this bill is to help local communities with their human service problems. Presently, no funding will be required. bill has been worded so that funding can be sought later if required by federal changes. First, it will increase the efficiency of human services in Nebraska. Second, this bill facilitates the development of multi county human resource planning and delivery areas which will help local governments to more effectively meet the needs of the citizens. And lastly, if any other federal funding should become available through the state for these purposes, this legislation will provide a clear and direct and directive as to how such money can be used. Now, this puts it under the Technical Assistance Agency and the state will have their finger on the programs that will be adopted. We will leave it to the local communities of which programs they would like to keep. Right now they do have something like eight million dollars of federal money to spend but they do not have money for personnel to direct these programs. The Community Action agencies have usually been instrumental in carrying out most of the local human resources planning and development which does exist inthe state as of now. With few exceptions, no local organizations or manpower exists other than the Community Action agencies for the planning and implementation of human resources programs. We are trying to keep these agencies alive to implement the programs that wish to be kept. I would move for the introduction of this Human Resource bill.

SPEAKER: All you have to say, Senator.

SENATOR RICHENDIFER: I move for the introduction..intpoduction of this Human Resource bill.

SPEAKER: Any discussion? If not, are you ready for the question. This requires 30 votes for the introduction of a new bill as explained by Senator Richendifer. All those in favor of its introduction vote aye. Those opposed vote no. Have you all voted? We will need some...this requires 25 votes. 30 votes, excuse me. Have you all voted? I am going to hold it open a minute, Senator. The clerk will record.